

October 4, 1938.

WATERSHEDS ASSIGNED FOR PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS

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| Committee No. | Watershed | Committee No. | Watershed |
|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | *Connecticut | | |
| 1 | *Winooski | 14-B | * Dry Run |
| 1 | Mohawk | 14-B | * Meramec |
| 3-A | Black | 14-B | Rock |
| 3-A | *Upper Susquehanna | 14-B | * Kaskaskia |
| 3-B | *Tygart | 16-A | Salt |
| 3-B | *Allegheny | 16-A | Hassayampa |
| 3-B | *Codorus | 16-A | Bill Williams |
| 4 | *Scioto | 16-A | Little Colorado |
| 4 | *Wabash | 16-A | San Juan |
| | | 16-B | * So. Canadian above Conchas Dam |
| 5-A | *New | | |
| 5-B | Rappahannock | 17-A | Salt Lake |
| 5-B | James | 17-C | Humboldt |
| 5-B | Roanoke | | |
| 6-A | Neuse-Tar | 18 - 20 | Upper Sacramento |
| | | 18 - 20 | Pajaro |
| 6-B | Savannah | 18 - 20 | Santa Maria |
| 7-A | Tombigbee | 18 - 20 | Salinas |
| 7-B | *Fourche La Pave | | |
| 7-B | *Ouachita | 21 | * Yakima |
| 7-C | *Homochitto | 21 | * Umatilla |
| 7-C | *Big Black | 22 | * White |
| 8 | Brazos | 22 | Wenatchee |
| | | 22 | * Willamette |
| 9-B | *Arkansas (Caddoa) | | |
| 9-B | *North Canadian (Optima) | 23-A | Kootenai |
| 9-B | *North Canadian (Canton) | 23-B | * Missouri |
| 9-B | *Wolf Cr. of North Canadian | 23-B | Milk |
| 10 | Smoky Hill | | |
| 10 | *Republican | | |
| 10 | *Salt Fork of Arkansas | | |
| 11-A | *Wolf-Nonconnah | | |
| 11-A | *Jessamine Creek | | |
| 11-A | Yellow Creek | | |
| 11-B | *White (Ark.) | | |
| | Black (Mo.) | | |
| | Eleven Points | | |
| | Strawberry | | |
| | North Fork | | |
| | Buffalo Fork | | |
| | Upper White | | |

* First priority

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Field Memo # 24. B

October 6, 1938

MEMORANDUM NO. 782

1. (a) The Bureau of Agricultural Economics, subject to the general supervision and direction of the Secretary of Agriculture, shall have charge, in addition to the functions heretofore assigned to it, of the following activities within the Department:

(1) (1) The formulation of plans and programs in connection with the administration of: (a) Title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, (b) The Water Facilities Act, (c) The Flood Control Acts, as amended, (d) Sections 1 to 6, inclusive, of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, and (e) The Sugar Act of 1937.

(2) The formulation of all other plans and programs relating to land use, including land-use plans and programs that involve forestry, wild-life conservation, farm tenancy, rural rehabilitation, or the use of other agricultural or grazing lands.

(3) The formulation of plans and programs relating to the marketing service and marketing regulatory work of the Department.

(4) The integration of the economic research work of the Department with the formulation of the plans and programs referred to in this section.

(b) The Bureau of Agricultural Economics and the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, the Soil Conservation Service, the Forest Service, the Bureau of Biological Survey, and the Farm Security Administration, are directed to effect the transfer to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the employees of the other agencies who have been assigned to the performance of work in connection with the formulation of the plans and programs enumerated in subsection (a) of this section, these transfers to be effected as rapidly as the Bureau of Agricultural Economics shall find convenient.

2. The Program Planning Division of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration shall be responsible, and shall report directly, to the Secretary of Agriculture.

3. (a) Mr. Howard R. Tolley is designated Chief of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

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(b) In addition to Mr. Tolley's designation as Chief of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Mr. Tolley is designated Associate Administrator of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, and is placed in charge of the Program Planning Division of that Administration.

4. All previous memoranda are superseded to the extent that they conflict with the provisions of this memorandum.

5. This memorandum shall be effective on and after October 16, 1938.

W. A. Wallace

Secretary of Agriculture

FLOOD CONTROL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
Washington

October 19, 1938.

MEMORANDUM TO FIELD FLOOD CONTROL COORDINATING COMMITTEES
(Through B.A.E., F.S. and S.C.S.)

Re: Aerial Photographs for Flood Control Surveys

In order to clarify the procedure and minimize the cost of obtaining aerial photographs in our flood control survey program, the following policies have been adopted:

1. As soon as possible after the survey of a given watershed has been authorized by the Secretary, the Field Committee should request aerial photographs for such portions of the watershed as in their opinion will be useful in the subsequent studies. If there are areas within the watershed on which it is known that the flood control problems are of minor importance to this Department, obviously we should not go to the expense of obtaining photographs for such portions. In the main, then, aerial photographs will be purchased for only the important flood source tributaries of the watersheds to be surveyed.
2. For the areas to be covered by aerial photographs, the Coordinating Committee will furnish the field with two sets of contact prints (approximate scale 1:20,000) and four sets of index maps. This is the number that will be supplied for the watersheds now being covered by surveys. Everything possible is being done to expedite the procurement of these pictures at the earliest possible date. The Cartographic Section of the Soil Conservation Service has been given the responsibility of handling aerial photographs for the flood survey program, and the extra load imposed upon the Section naturally makes it impossible to get immediate service. In many instances the areas are included in AAA contracts, and it is necessary to wait until flying under those contracts has been completed before the flood survey photographs become available. In these cases we have endeavored to have our areas placed in high priority, but this has not been possible in all instances.
3. After the initiation of a survey on a given watershed, the Field Committee should, at the earliest possible date, have made a field reconnaissance of the area and an office review of existing soils, erosion,

topographic, land cover, land use, and land classification maps and data, and outline homogeneous flood source and flood damage areas, and based on this investigation, submit to Washington the location of sample areas which are to be covered by detailed field mapping, within the flood source areas. For such sample areas the Washington Committee will furnish additional prints at a uniform scale of four inches to the mile (unless otherwise specified) in such number as may be requested. Stream delineations and match lines will be put on these pictures by the Cartographic Section of the S.C.S. If contact prints have already been furnished to the field prior to submitting the location of sample areas, one set of the contact prints covering such sample areas should be returned along with the request for the enlarged extra prints.

It is suggested that routine inquiries concerning the status of aerial photographs be sent direct to the Cartographic Section of the Soil Conservation Service. However, original requests for pictures and subsequent requests for additional prints or enlargements for specific sample areas should be submitted by the Chairman of the Field Committee through respective bureau channels.

The Flood Control Coordinating Committee is anxious that the fullest possible use be made of aerial photographs in our flood control survey program. If adequately used, much field work may be eliminated thereby materially reducing the cost of surveys. From time to time we may be able to pass on certain information or arrange for technical advice which will enable you to make maximum use of the pictures supplied.

FLOOD CONTROL COORDINATING COMMITTEE.

By E. H. C. Ringland
Chairman

